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REFERENCE PULSE TRAINS) Examiner: B	. Garland Garler 2100	

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	8	MINUS	20	0	x \$ 9 x \$18	0.00
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[] Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

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Responsive to the Office Action dated February 14, 2001, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment.

Attached hereto as "ATTACHMENT A" is a marked-up copy showing the changes made to the above-identified patent application by the present Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims 4, 6 and 7 for original claims 4, 6 and 7:

4. (Amended) A method of regulating a target system, comprising the steps of: providing a reference signal;

generating a plurality of digital signals defining a reference pulse train with a frequency dependent upon said reference signal;

providing a target system to be regulated, said target system having an output in the form of a plurality of digital signals defining a feedback pulse train having a frequency;

comparing said frequency of said reference pulse train with said frequency of said feedback pulse train;

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